

*Cater Amendment*  
*Ryan D Walsh*  
*4/11/07*

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP ART UNIT 2852

03500.017903

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of:       | ) |                         |
|                             | : | Examiner: Ryan D. Walsh |
| Hideo NANATAKI, et al.      | ) |                         |
|                             | : | Group Art Unit: 2852    |
| Application No.: 10/776,380 | ) |                         |
|                             | : | Confirmation No.: 3935  |
| Filed: February 12, 2004    | ) |                         |
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| For: HEATING APPARATUS      | ) | March 14, 2007          |

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AMENDMENT  
AND  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated September 14, 2006, for three (3) months from December 14, 2006, to March 14, 2007. The \$1,020.00 fee is being paid electronically. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application, as follows.